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Foreword

To Preserve and Cherish
the Traditions and the Ideals,
the Activities and the Achievements
of Blackstone College
To Ensurine the True Blackstone Spirit
in the Heart of Every Daughter
Is the Purpose
of the
ACORN of 1926



Mr. Gates

Dedication

THAT WE MAY EXPRESS OUR DEEPEST REGARD FOR ONE WHOSE HAPPY SMILE AND SYMPATHETIC UNDERSTANDING OF STUDENT PROBLEMS AND FINE COMPANIONSHIP IN WORK AND PLAY ARE AN EMBODIMENT OF THE TRUE SPIRIT OF A SOUTHERN GENTLEMAN

WE DEDICATE THIS
1926 "ACORN"
TO
MR. W. B. GATES

Blackstone---Past and Future

LACKSTONE has a history. Like every living thing the College has a background, its roots run way back into the past. About thirty years ago there came into the minds of a small group of men in the vicinity of the town of Blackstone a vision and a dream of a school for the higher education of the women of our State and other Southern States. It was only a dream, but as every great and worthy undertaking has first started as a dream in the mind of some seer, so this dream began rapidly to take on shape. It was partly realized when some acres were purchased, a small building erected, and a young ambitious minister by the name of James Cannon, Jr., was selected as the first principal. The first session began in the year 1894 with twenty-nine boarders. It is hard to realize that Blackstone College, great and influential as she has since grown to be, had a beginning so inconspicuous.

But her history is romantic. Under the energetic leadership of Cannon and Adams there was soon no school in the State doing more for young womanhood than Blackstone Female Institute. Daughters began coming from every direction, and before long there could be round in almost every church and community one or more "Blackstone Girls," who were engaged prominently in the religious life of the community, and who were making a definite contribution to the home and to the church. What a record! What a history! It would take many pages to tell the whole story of the sacrifice on the part of the officers and teachers that was put into the erection of the building, into the enlargement of the student body, into the building of the Blackstone spirit.

The dream for the higher education of women was finally realized when the Institute became, under the laws of the Commonwealth, a College for young women. And when the work was at its highest and best, there came the fires; Not one but two! And it seemed as if the dream and the vision of many years was finally to go up in smoke and fail to be realized. This was not for long, however. For out of the ashes of the old, there soon began to rise the walls of a new and better Blackstone, until to-day we have an equipment and a student body of which every friend of the College may feel justly proud.

But the future of Blackstone! Who can tell? Who has the eye to behold this dream in all its completeness? What prophet is so bold as to place limits and boundaries, and who would rise up and say to such a spirit "Thus far and no farther?" Can any one measure the far-reaching significance of the countless influences that have emanated from her walls? What of Christian idealism, of Christian character, of high resolve and purpose she shall through

future years inspire in the hearts and lives of the many young women who shall pass in and out of her doors! It would be a bold prophet indeed, who would attempt to measure in words what the Blackstone influence is to be and where that influence is to end.

Blackstone's future lies in the hands of her friends. The Board of Trustees, the Alumnae, the Faculty, and the student body must each make their contribution. But we believe that the future of our beloved Alma Mater is to be finally determined and measured by us and by the many other girls who live within her walls, who share her gracious privileges, and who go out as graduates of the Old College. A great responsibility rests upon us who have been to Blackstone. We have been great receivers, we must be large givers. We have been beneficiaries, we must become benefactors.

Blackstone is a spirit! A College does not consist of materials alone, of brick and mortar, of porphyry and stone. Curricula and endowments and faculties do not make a college. Blackstone is a spirit! We find here the spirit of goodwill, the spirit of service, the spirit of heroism, the spirit of unselfishness, the spirit of ministry. And we must take this spirit with us into life, and translate it into such terms as a needy world about us can understand and appreciate.

Our obligation is to dedicate our lives to this task of disseminating the Blackstone spirit wherever we may go. To carry it into our homes, into our community, into our churches. Thus will the spirit of Blackstone become immortal, eternal! THIS IS THE FUTURE OF BLACKSTONE!

H. P. Myers, President.



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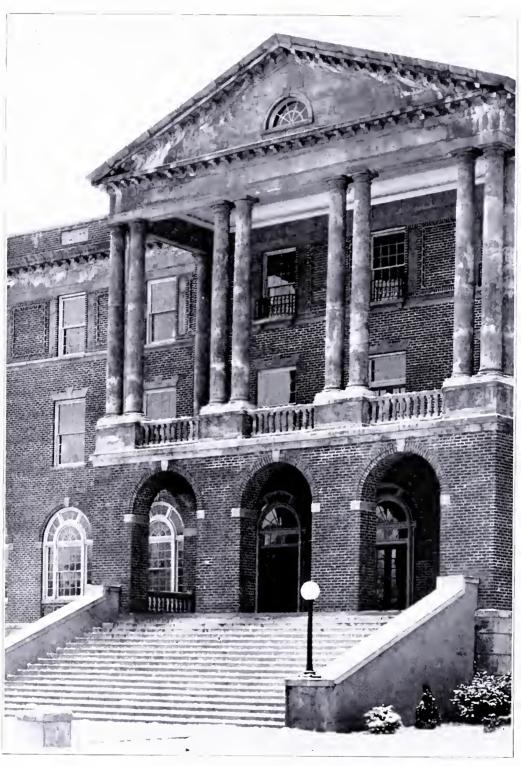


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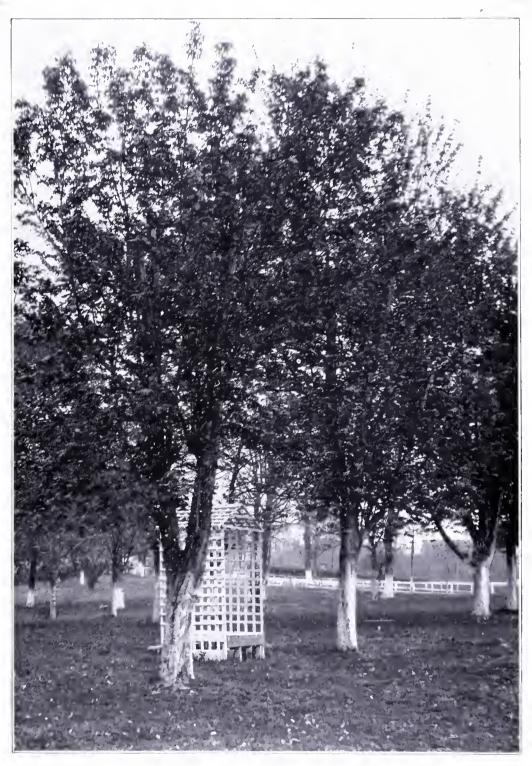
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"Wide open and unguarded stand our gates."



"In thy halls have I learned thy art, Gained ideals that can ne'er depart."

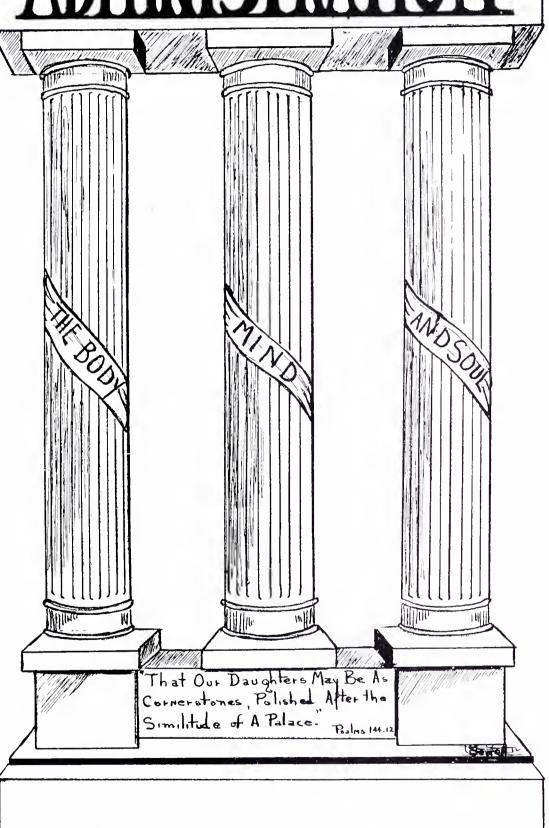


"The awakening morn, The approaching night, Encloses thee with sighs of peace,"



"Whereso'er our steps may tend, Whereso'er our courses end, Looking backward we shall e'er but cherish The quiet beauty of this familiar scene."

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A man of vision with a steadfast purpose, faithful to each task, he is leading us on to larger undertakings—the dawn of a new day.



W. B. Gates, A. M. Vice-President and Dean

With his kindly smile, wise counsel, and sincere sympathy he lightens even the most irksome task and makes duty a pleasure.



George P. Adams
Secretary and Treasurer

Of him it is said that you have never been to Blackstone until you have known Mr. Adams. He is a part of the Blackstone spirit—a friend of every girl.

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"Wearing the white flower of a blameless life."

Motto: "To thine own self be true." Colors: Green and White.
Flower: White rose.

Senior Class

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"The reason firm, the temperate will, Endurance, foresight, strength, and skill,"

Mary Owen has a winning personality and twinkling blue eyes which have won for her may friends. Her business like manner makes her successful in every undertaking.





ELSIE WALL

ASPEN, VIRGINIA

Vice-President Senior Class, 1925-26; Literary Editor, "Acorn," 1925-26; Secretary E. A. P. Literary Society, 1925-26; President Circulus Latinus, 1925-26; Squad Leader Hiking Club, 1925-26; President S. S. Class, 1925-26; Bat, 1924-26; Athletic Association, 1923-26; Eta Beta Pi, 1924-25; Y. W. C. A., 1923-26; D. D. D., 1923-24; E. A. P. Debate, 1925-26.

"Sweetness, truth, and every grace One reads distinctly in her face."

Elsie has proved to us the proof of the saying, "Precious things come in small packages." Quiet and reserved, yet full of fun and a good student, possessing great literary ability, she has won a place in all our hearts which can be filled by no one except "Punkin."

ERNESTINE HARRIS

DANVILLE, VIRGINIA

Secretary and Treasurer Senior Class, 1925-26; K. K. Club, 1924-25; Z. Z. Club, 1924-25; Hiking Club, 1925-26; Bat, 1924-26; Athletic Association, 1924-26; Y. W. C. A., 1924-26; E. A. P. Literary Society, 1924-26; Le Cercle Francais, 1924-26; Circulus Latinus, 1924-25.

"Her beauty of kind, her virtues from above,

Happy is he that can obtain her love."

Teenie is one of the prettiest and most attractive girls of our class. She knows boarding-school life for she went to Ferrum four years before coming here. Here's hoping, Teenie, that through all your life you will be loved and admired as you were by us.



JENNIE MAY DUNN

CREWE, VIRGINIA

Secretary Student Executive Board, 1925-26; Vice-President Le Cercle Francais, 1925-26; Secretary "Merry Marys'" Club, 1925-26; Secretary S. S. Class, 1925-26; Athletic Association, 1924-26; Bat, 1924-26; Squad Leader Hiking Club, 1925-26; Tennis Club, 1925-26; Y. W. C. A., 1924-26; Christian Service Group, 1924-26; Sidney Lanier Literary Society, 1824-26.

"Her air, her manners, all who saw admired,

Courteous, coy and gentle, though retired."

Jennie May is the kind of girl we would all like to be. She is sensible and business-like, yet she is always ready for a little fun. Here's to her success in pedagogy.

GERTRUDE ECKHART

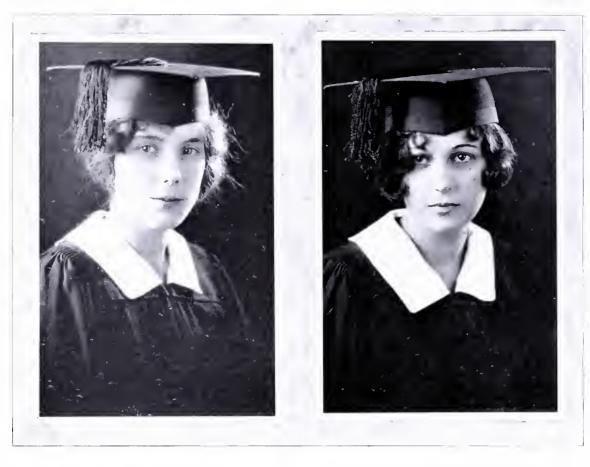
HUNTINGTON, WEST VIRGINIA

President Teacher Training Group 1925-26; Treasurer Annual Staff, 1925-26; Treasurer, West Virginia Club, 1925-26; "Stragglers" Club, 1925-26; K. K. Club, 1925-26; Hiking Club, 1925-26; Bat, 1925-26; Athletic Association, 1925-26; E. A. P. Literary Society, 1925-26; Y. W. C. A., 1925-26; Senior Class, 1925-26; President E. A. P. Literary Society, Second term, 1925-26.

"There's in you all that we believe of heaven,

Amazing brightness, purity, and truth, Eternal joy and everlasting love."

One is at once attracted by "Sis's" smiling face, shining black hair and large dark eyes. Coming to us as a Senior, she has won a warm place in our hearts. When there's work to be done, she can be depended on. So here's to you, old classmate, may all success and happiness be yours!



ETHEL MAE GARBEE

LAWYERS, VIRGINIA

Glee Club, 1925-26; Bat, 1924-26; Sidney Lanier Literary Society, 1924-26; Vice-President Junior College Class, 1924-25; Le Cercle Francais, 1924-26; Circulus Latinus, 1924-25; Blue Ridge Club, 1924-26; Christian Service Group, 1924-26; Y. W. C. A., 1921-26; Athletic Association, 1921-26; Treble Clef Club, 1924-26.

"She that was ever fair, and never proud,"

Had tongue at will and yet was never

loud,"

She is not what one would term "loud," but she has always made enough noise around school for every one to know that she is here. We feel sure that she has ahead of her a brilliant career as an able pedagogue so we bid her "Godspeed."

ETTA G. HAAKE

HAMBURG, NEW YORK

President Student Executive Board, 1925-26; Y. W. C. A. Cabinet, 1924-26; Assistant Business Manager "Acorn," 1924-25; Literary Editor "Acorn," 1925-26; Sidney Lanier Literary Society, 1924-26; Captain of Bats, 1924-25; Bat Hike Leader, 1925-26; Athletic Association, 1924-26; Tennis Club, 1925-26; "Stragglers" Club, 1925-26; Baseball Team, 1924-25; Le Cercle Francais, 1924-26; Hiking Club, 1924-26; Dramatic Club, 1925-26.

"To those who know thee not, no words can paint
And those who know thee, know words are faint."

We have all learned to love the charming Yankee brogue of our Student Government President. May she ever be as faithful as she is and win as many friends as she did among us at Blackstone.



PLUMIE RUTH HEARN

SMITHFIELD, VIRGINIA

Semper Fidelis Club, 1925-26; Le Cercle Français, 1925-26; Sidney Lanier Literary Society, 1924-26; Tiger, 1924-26; Y. W. C. A., 1924-26; Athletic Association, 1924-26.

"Love, sweetness, goodness in her person shined."

Plumic came to us last year and we know that we are to be envied in having her because she is such a wonderful girl. She has a very quiet manner but beneath this quietness lies a strong will and a winning personality. In classes she is always ready with an answer so we know that success will always be in store for her.

MARY ELIZABETH JOHNSON

BEAVER DAM, VIRGINIA

Treasurer Student Executive Board, 1925-26; Secretary Athletic Association, 1925-26; President Sidney Lanier Literary Society, 1925-26; President "Merry Marys' "Club, 1925-26; President Hiking Club, 1925-26; Treasurer Tidewater Club, 1925-26; Bat, 1924-26; Le Cercle Francais, 1924-26; Y. W. C. A., 1924-26.

"Her smile shows her disposition, Her friends her popularity."

Mary has a charming personality and the power to attract others to her. She is sweet, kind and lovable, one with whom it is a pleasure to be associated. Her life will always be happy because of her numerous friends and admirers.



CHRISTINE KESLER

SKIPWITH, VIRGINIA

Le Cercle Francais, 1925-26; Circulus Latinus, 1922-23; Tennis Club, 1925-26; Hiking Club, 1925-26; E. A. P. Literary Society, 1922-26; Y. W. C. A., 1924-26; Bat, 1924-26; Athletic Association, 1924-26; Treble Clef Club, 1924-26; Treasurer Treble Clef Club, 1924-25; Day Pupils' Club, 1921-25; Christian Service Group, 1925-26; Sophomore Basket-Ball Team, 1922-23.

"If hardships you meet and do your best, You need not worry about the rest."

Christine has shown us that this is true for she always does her best under any circumstances. Her patience and unselfish disposition command our admiration. We feel sure that whatever her vocation she will climb to the top as she has done at B, C, G.

EDITH LEWIS

PORT HAYWOOD, VIRGINIA

President Semper Fidelis Club, 1925-26; Captain Bats, 1925-26; Captain Bat Baseball Team, 1924-25; Athletic Association, 1924-26; Bat, 1924-26; Christian Service Group, 1924-26; Y. W. C. A., 1924-26; Le Cercle Francais, 1925-26; Sidney Lanier Literary Society, 1924-26; Tidewater Club, 1925-26.

"There is no chance, no destiny, no fate, Can circumvent or hinder or control The firm resolve of a determined soul."

Without Edith our class would be incomplete. She says what she thinks and sticks to it. She radiates pep at those old Bat meetings and if the cup doesn't go to the Bats it will not be her fault. May she assume leadership in life as ably as she has among us.



MARY LUCILE McLEAREN

REISTERSTOWN, MARYLAND

"Merry Marys'" Club, 1925-26; Le Cercle Francais, 1925-26; Glee Club, 1924-26; Bat, 1924-26; Athletic Association, 1924-26; Christian Service Group, 1924-26; Sidney Lanier Literary Society, 1924-26; Y. W. C. A., 1924-26.

> "She's all my fancy painted her, She's lovely, she's divine."

"The power of thought, the magic of the mind" are Lucile's outstanding qualities. Ever ready is she with a sunny smile and a pleasant word. She will always remain in our memories as a good friend, a pleasant companion and a fine classmate.

GRACE A. POWERS

NORTH WEST, VIRGINIA

Treasurer Bats, 1925-26; Hiking Club, 1925-26; Bat, 1924-26; Secretary and Treasurer Junior College Class, 1924-25; President Le Cercle Francais, 1924-25; Vice-President E. A. P. Literary Society, 1924-25; E. A. P. Literary Society, 1924-26; Glee Club, 1924-26; President K. K. Club, 1924-25; Cheer Leader, 1923-24; President Tidewater Club, 1924-25; Tidewater Club, 1924-25; Tidewater Club, 1921-26; Y. W. C. A., 1921-26; Athletic Association, 1921-26.

"The world's no better if we worry Life's no longer if we hurry."

Gracie is ever ready for fun and a good time. She doesn't believe in being unhappy though she can be serious when necessary. And style? Well, she always has it.



SARAH ANNETTE REED

HINNOM, VIRGINIA

Atheltic Association, 1924-26; E. A. P. Literary Society, 1924-26; Circulus Latinus, 1924-25; Treasurer S. S. Class, 1925-26; Secretary "Acorn" Staff, 1925-26; Y. W. C. A., 1924-26; Tiger, 1924-26; Tidewater Club, 1925-26.

"Whote'er she did was done with so much case, In her alone 'twas natural to please,"

Her lovely curls and winning personality attracted all to her. Friends she made by her sunny smiles and kind deeds. She is always true and faithful, ready to lend a helping hand to those in need.

MARY ROWLAND RIDDLE

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA

Secretary Sidney Lanier Literary Šociety, 1925-26; Sidney Lanier Literary Society, 1924-26; Y. W. C. A., 1924-26; Le Cercle Français, 1924-26; President Blue Ridge Club. 1924-26; Kappa Beta Supper Club. 1924-25; Hiking Club. 1924-25; Bat, 1924-25; Christian Service Group, 1924-26.

"Amazing brightness, purity and truth. Eternal joy and everlasting love.

Her being expresses sweetness, goodness, and gentleness. A smile, a sympathetic heart and a willing spirit combined with "just Mary" make a girl of "true blue," and our hearts grow sad to think of leaving one so fine.





EDYTHE LILLIAN SKELTON

WEYERS CAVE, VIRGINIA

Le Cercle Francais, 1925-26; E. A. P. Literary Society, 1924-26; Y. W. C. A., 1924-26; Christian Service Group, 1924-26; Blue Ridge Club, 1924-20; Tiger, 1924-26; Athletic Association, 1924-26.

"Only a sweet and virtuous soul Like seasoned timber never gives."

Lillian is a faithful member of our class. She does not talk much but when she does it is worth-while. "As stead-fast as the arrow; as true as steel; as brilliant and constant as the stars." Even these fall short of expressing her true character.

MARGARET SKELTON

WEYERS CAVE, VIRGINIA

Editor-in-Chief, "Acorn," 1925-26; President E, A. P. Literary Society, 1925-26; Assistant Editor "Acorn," 1924-25; Athletic Association, 1924-26; Tiger, 1924-26; Track Team 1924-25; Y. W. C. A., 1924-26; Le Cercle Francais, 1924-26; Circulus Latinus, 1924-25; Treasurer Blue Ridge Club, 1924-25; E. A. P. Debate, 1924-25; Christian Scrvice Group, 1924-26; Y. W. C. A., 1925-26; E. A. P. Literary Society, 1924-26.

".1 perfect woman, nobly planned, "To warm, to comfort and command."

Margaret has made an enviable record in all her work as is evidenced by the fact that she was chosen the most intellectual from our group. May like success attend her in the future.



THEKLA SUDDITH

BRIGHTWOOD, VIRGINIA

Y. W. C. A., 1924-26; Blue Ridge Club, 1924-26; Sidney Lanier Literary Society, 1924-26; Le Cercle Francais, 1924-26; Kappa Beta Supper Club, 1924-25; Tiger, 1924-26; Athletic Association, 1924-26.

"In thy face I see The woman of honor, truth and loyalty."

Thekla and generosity are synomymous terms. Underneath her quietness there is an unexpected spirit of fun and humor. Her classmates have found in her a kind and true friend and she leaves old B. C. G. with their good wishes for her future success.

ELEANOR WHITMORE

CREWE, VIRGINIA

President Y. W. C. A., 1925-26; "Merry Marys'" Club, 1925-26; Y. W. C. A., 1924-26; Treasurer Circulus Latinus, 1925-26; Semper Fidelis Club, 1925-26; Bat, 1924-26; Christian Service Group, 1924-26; Sidney Lanier Literary Society, 1924-26.

"True to herself, true to her friends, True to her duty always."

There is no finer girl on the campus than Eleanor. She is all the more popular because she is our "postman." Many is the time we have wished that we could borrow her brain for a few minutes. Here's to you, our Y. W. President, may you reap the best in life's harvest!

Graduation

'Tis a lovely Maytime evening, Twilight's shadow softly falls; There is sound of joy and gladness Ringing through old Blackstone's halls.

Every heart its song is singing, And one girl less than a score Gather here for graduation For their college days are o'er.

They are happy for they've labored With a purpose strong and true, Through the years they've spent at Blackstone Ever with this goal in view.

But there's too a touch of sadness—All must now go different ways; They must leave their Alma Mater, They are through with college days.

What awaits our loyal Seniors, As they make their pilgrimage From the dawn of womanhood To the twilight of old age?

Ah! The future holds the answer—Holds in it their hidden fate, For the coming of that future We can only trust and wait.

Ровт, '26

History of the Senior Class

S June is drawing nigh, we already begin to feel retrospective. After all, isn't a great part of our life spent in reviewing the past? As we look back, we wish time and again that we could live over these two short years. How differently we would live them!

We realize that history is ever the same and that the history of our class is very much like the histories of all the other classes, yet, because it is ours, we forget that it is not a new story.

Grace and Ethel Mae could tell us much about Blackstone for they went through the preparatory department here. They have endured equally fires and changes of administration. They readily identify the following: Dr. Christian (and Mutt), Miss Stoakley, Miss Martin, Miss Bennett, Mr. Myers, Mr. Gates, and Miss Gary.

In the fall of '24 thirty-six eager College Juniors entered Blackstone. Had this been a four-year college we would have been dubbed "rats" and subjected to initiation but at Blackstone College Juniors are privileged characters. After we had been here long enough to adjust ourselves, we were given a yellow slip of paper bearing all the regulations and privileges of College Juniors. We didn't like the rules so well but we certainly did enjoy the privileges.

In the fall of '25 we again assembled to resume our work though we knew it would mean work if we expected to attain those coveted sheepskins. Of the thirty-six Juniors eighteen returned to enter the graduating class. We were feeling rather doleful that our class was going to be smaller than that of '25 when we found that we had a new Senior. Gertrude had come to us, a Senior.

We are very proud of the fact that the highest honors of the school are in our class. From our number came the Student Government President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer; the Editor-in-Chief, and the Business-Manager of the "Acorn," and most of the Staff; the Y. W. C. A. President, the Captain of the "Bats" and the President of the Poe Literary

Society. Ours is quite an illustrious group and some of our members have won fame that will go down in the history of Blackstone College.

However, all the things must come to an end. Just so it is with our student life. June is drawing near. The time is not far away when we will be clothed in cap and gown and receive the long-cherished diplomas. Our paths will soon diverge and we will scatter far and wide. Here's hoping that we have absorbed the ideals of the College and that our lives may truly be "as cornerstones polished after the similitude of a palace."

Wall, '26.



Special Students

HELEN ADKINS

RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

"Earth's noblest thing—a woman perfected."

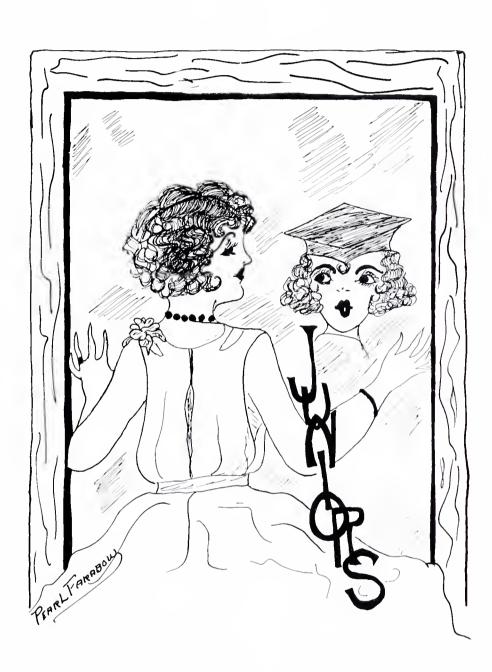
"To know her is to love her," so how could we help loving Helen? Her cheerfulness, her faithfulness, and her unselfishness have won her many friends, who will long remember the inspiration she has been to them. We would naturally expect our first graduate in music to make her mark in the musical world but we have reason to believe her destiny involves a Methodist parsonage instead.

SARA LUCIUS

SUMTER, SOUTH CAROLINA

"Happy I am, from care I am free— Why can't they all be contended like me?"

Without our good-natured "Sallie" we are convinced that our senior class would be incomplete. She is a good sport, who helps people so much with her cheerfulness that we all like to be near her. Sara talks a great deal and she has a very characteristic laugh, but we enjoy listening to her and old B. C. will hate to see her leave. We know she has been a favorite in former classes and we can say she has won a place in our hearts too.





Miss Ruth Richardson
Sponsor

Junior Class

OFFICERS

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Frances Moore	
Frances Hancock	Secretary
Virginia Burns	Treasurer

RUTH ATKINS

"True to herself; true to her friends; true to her duty always."

DIXIE BIZZELL

"And still we gazed and still our wonder grew,

That one small head could carry all she knew."

VIRGINIA BURNS

"None knew thee but to love thee; None named thee but to praise."

FRANCES CARTER

"And all that's best of dark and bright,

Met in her aspect and her eyes."

SUSIE COCKE

"For Nature made her what she is, And never made another."

ELOISE DARDEN

"There's no living with her nor without her."





GRACE DAVIS

"The only way to have a friend is to be one."

NELLIE DELOATCHE

"Her heart is as far from fraud as heaven is from earth."

JULIA EMILY DREW

"Better be small and shine,
Than be larger and cast a shadow."

MARTHA ELLIOTT

"Thought is deeper than all speech."

MADGE ESKERIDGE

"There's a twinkle in her eye at every glad surprise."

RUTH FRANCISCO

"It's a magic thing that makes me what I am."

FRANCES HANCOCK

"A friend to all in every way,
She scatters cheer and hope's
glad ray."

REBECCA HAYNIE

"Her eyes, blue pools of mirrored light,

Wherein pure thoughts do dwell."

MARY NELSON HEFLIN

"Her air, her manner all admired, Courteous and gentle, though retired."

DOROTHY HEVENER

"Learned and fair and good is she."

RIZPAH HEVENER

"Thy modesty is a candle to thy merit."

VIRGINIA HUPMAN

"When honor, faith, and love are

All lesser things must be out-done."





MARY KELLAM

"Sweetness, truth and every grace, One reads distinctly in her face."

MARION McNAIR

"She is true to her word, her work and her friends."

SWANN MARKS

"And her modest manner and graceful air
Show her wise and good as she is fair."

LILY MOLLART

"I may be as good as I please If I please to be good."

FRANCES MOORE

"A girl that's always true and fine,
Of pals the very best,
With wit and fun she'll ever
shine—
Oh, well, just guess the rest."

MARY MOORE

"I say that no profit grows where no pleasure is taken."

LUCILLE OWEN

"Preserverance and honesty are her keynotes."

DELL POLLARD

"The world's no better if we worry;
Life's no longer if we hurry."

IDA PRICE

"She's a jolly good sport and all things show it, I thought so once, but now I know it."

GERTRUDE ROBERTSON

"Sincere and true; I strive in all my best to do."

VIRGINIA SAUNDERS

"Beware! When she meditates, mischief is brewing."

ELVA SIMMS

"Young and at the happy age that knows no fear."





MARY HOLMES SMITH 'Music hath charms—."

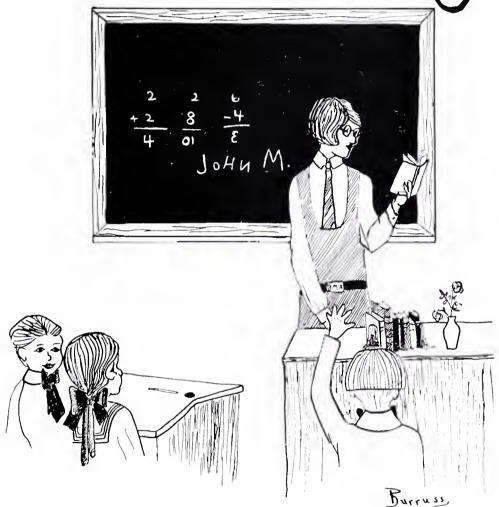
LORNA STOUTAMYER
"Whatever sky's above me,
Here's a heart for any fate."

VIRGINIA VAWTER
"A true and ever faithful friend,
Unchanging to the very end."

MARTHA WILLIAMS "Quality—not quantity."

DOROTHY WINN
"When she's good, she's very, very
good, but when she's bad—
nuf' sed!"

Teacher Training



Teacher Training Class



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Ballah

President Eckhart

Vice President
Eddins



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EDNA ATWOOD

"No matter what the subject be, For information come to me."

ERLENE AYLOR

"I would that my tongue would utter the thoughts that are in me."

RUTH CHICK

"Hang sorrow, care killed a cat, and therefore let's be merry."

JENNIE MAE DUNN

"Not too serious, not too gay
And a true-blue girl in every
way."

DOROTHY EVANS

"Here's to our little 'blondie'—
'Chic' and 'sporty' is her descriptive;

Work, or studies, mar not her joys,

And 'hearts, indeed, are her objective.' "

ETHEL MAE GARBEE

"Attempt the end, and never stand to doubt;

Nothing so hard, but search will find it out."





ERNESTINE HARRIS

"Her eyes are like the morning dews,

And her cheeks like wild flower hues."

BLANCHE HOLLIDAY

"A cheerful heart, a strong mind, A truer sport you'll never find."

LOUISE JONES

"A teacher, yes, that's what she'll be—

Sincere and charming and cool. Work will be but a pleasure For those she teaches in school."

CHRISTINE KESLER

"Common sense is Nature's gift But reason is an art."

HELEN MILLS

"Her pencil drew whate'er her soul designed

And oft the happy draft surpassed the image in her mind."

LUCILE McLEAREN

"It's the songs ye sing
And the smiles ye wear
That's a-makin' the sun shine
every where."

AGNES O'DELL

"She's just a lass from Ridgeway The kind you'll like to meet, Not 'struck' on work or study But really—hard to beat."

IDA PRICE

"Short and sporty, witty too,
Nothing more or less;
But if you think that she's not
wise
You have another guess."

MARY RIDDLE

"The time has come when pals must part,

But, oh, how we hate to leave her.

She was ever ready, so faithful and true,

Life would be dreary without her."

ANNETTE REED

"A face with gladness overspread, Soft smiles by human kindness bred."

LILLIAN SKELTON

"Rare compound of quality, noble and true,

With plenty of sense and good humor."

MARGARET SKELTON

"Great thoughts, great feelings Come to her like instincts unawares."





THEKLA SUDDITH

"A silent, great soul, she was one of those who can not but be earnest, whom Nature herself has appointed sincere."

RUHAMA SETZLER

"A very small girl with a great big heart,

And a head full of plans for the future;

She says it is wise to 'put others wise,'

So she, too, hopes to be a teacher.

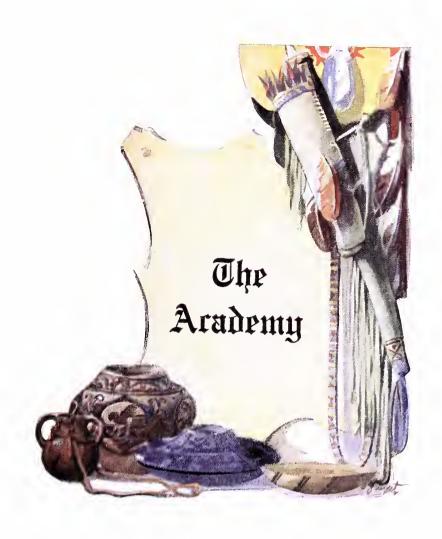
BERTHA TOWLER

"Why rush? Rome was not built in a day."

VIRGINIA VAWTER

"Born for success she seemed,
With grace to win, with heart
to hold,

With shining gifts that take all eyes."







Miss Ellen
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FRANCES BARROW

A bright, gentle thing Like the dawn of the morn Or the dews of the spring.

LILLIAN BEALE

When she picks up her bow And her violin doth show, We sit listening with awe; No better musician we ever saw.

BEATRICE BELL

A friend at all times She's always sure to be, A charming little pal— That's our "Bee."

MARGARET BICKEL

By all who know her she's loved and adored,

Because all save righteousness is by her abhorred.

Among her many friends she's one bright spot

Never striving to be that which she is not.

RUTH E. BIRCH

Here's a girl with a heart and a smile

That makes the bubble of life worth while.

MARGARET BENNETT

In this world of exploration Loving is her occupation.





GRACE EDITH BRYANT

Ever loyal, steadfast, true, A friend to all and brilliant, too; She's always dreaming—wonder why!

She'll prove true to her ideals high.

ELEANOR BURRUSS

Are you looking for someone to cure you when you're blue,

Or searching for a Pal whom you know is always true?

We can solve your problem in the very easiest way,

For our Laughing Eleanor will chase all care away.

VIRGINIA COBB

Grace was in all her steps, heaven in her eyes.

In every gesture dignity and love.

FRANCES CROWDER

Domestic and musical is the Frances we see;

Tis not for us to say what fortune may decree,

But we know what e'er befalls her lot

Little Frances Crowder will never be forget.

EVABELLE DEAN

Just a blue-eyed Senior Who comes from town each day. How the girls do envy her, 'Cause she's from B. M. A.

JO DREWRY

Tall and sedate, charming I'm sure, Is this young college girl, gay yet demure.

REUND

EUGENIA EDDINS

With hair so brown and eyes so blue

We watch her day by day And wish with all our hearts that we, too,

Were just as happy and as gay.

ELIZABETH ELEY

Along life's tedious, wayward road

Her carefree joy'll make light the load.

FRANCES CHRISTINE GARRETTE

A good pal in every way, One not found every day Has she charm and has she pep? Sure—and also a splendid rep.

CHAMPE GRANT

Who's that looking so petite, Charming all that she doth meet? Dancing eyes and golden hair— Our own Champe, of all most fair.

DOROTHY GRIZZARD

Oniet, bright, and attractive is she; What more could one ask her to be?

Very independent and full of fun, Yet her studies are never left undone.

EVELYN HARVEY

Dear little Evelyn always so gay; Her friends remember her this way.

Loving and generous we've found her to be,

If you don't believe us just try her and see.





VIRGINIA HENRY

"Miss Reliable" is her name, At work or play great is her fame. The very best wishes with her we send,

For first of all she's a staunch, true friend.

LILLIE HERNDON

When Lillie laughs the world is gay,

All care is driven far away; A merry heart goes all the day.

MARY HOLT

Our Mary, of the lovely brown hair

Ready to aid a friend in despair; A girl is she with the same sweet smile,

A look that says "Make Life Worth While."

ELIZABETH HOWERTON

It never pays to worry—things are bound to happen anyway.

CHARLOTTE HORTON

Laugh and the world laughs with you.

MARTHA JENKINS

She's full of mischief, we'll admit, But beneath it all, there's no friend more true

We think our good will be to her just fits—

"May your eyes never be blue."

NATHALIE JOHNSON

Three words describe her—talkative, good looking and smiles. She is fond of Math. and her good grades are always envied. "Success, Old Dear!"

ANNE JONES

If studying is a crime, I'm not guilty; yet she gets through somehow. How about sharing the combination, Anne?

HATTIE LACKEY

Just who could resist those sparkling eyes?

There's mischief lurking in them,

But Hattie's a wholesome combination

Of all that a girl should be.

CONNIE LUGAR

With your bright eyes and enticing face,

You'll always be the first in the race.

LUCIE CARTER MARSTON

A student of repute and eager in the pursuit of knowledge.

EMILY McCLANNAN

Trojan is a regular sheik, But best of all, she's a grand athlete.





CATHERINE MOODY

She's beautiful and therefore to be wooed,

She's a woman and therefore to be won.

ETHEL REDMAN

Here's to a sure enough popular girl,

One who sets your heart awhiri! Quite attractive, a good sport, too, A winning maid with heart most true.

JESSIE REDMAN

That gentle, soft, engaging air, Which in olden times adorned the fair.

VIRGINIA ROSE

Who can help but love those dancing eyes?

She uses them in fun and play, But sober is she when duty calls; We know she'll win the day.

JULIA SMITH

This Julia true to the ancient name Is ordained to a glorious fame; She's as noble and as true As the Roman dame.

GRACE STARBUCK

Of softest manners, unaffected mind.

Love of peace, and friend of humankind.

RUBELL SUGG

To look at Rubell you'd think her a saint—
But oh how looks betray!

CHARLOTTE SWIMLEY

Eyes that twinkle, eyes that gleam;

Remote from all she doth seem; But she daily brings such cheer, That we're glad to have her near.

ELIZABETH TOMBLESON

In thy face I see
The woman of honor, truth,
and loyalty.

ELIZABETH TUCK

When hearts are true, few words will do.

EMILY TYSINGER

A sunny disposition just as sunny as her hair,

Under no condition has she ever proved unfair.

GIRLIE WRIGHT

Whene'er we see Girfie's smile For us, all fife seems worth while; She has mastered the finest art Of breaking some poor man's heart.



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Junior Class

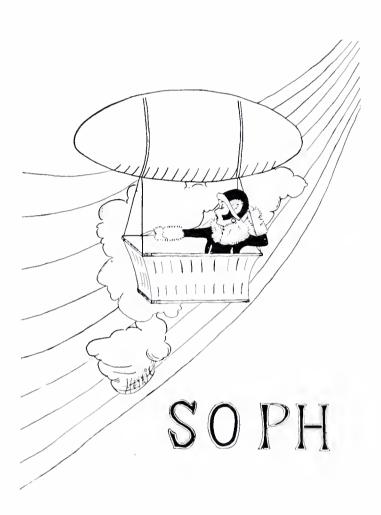
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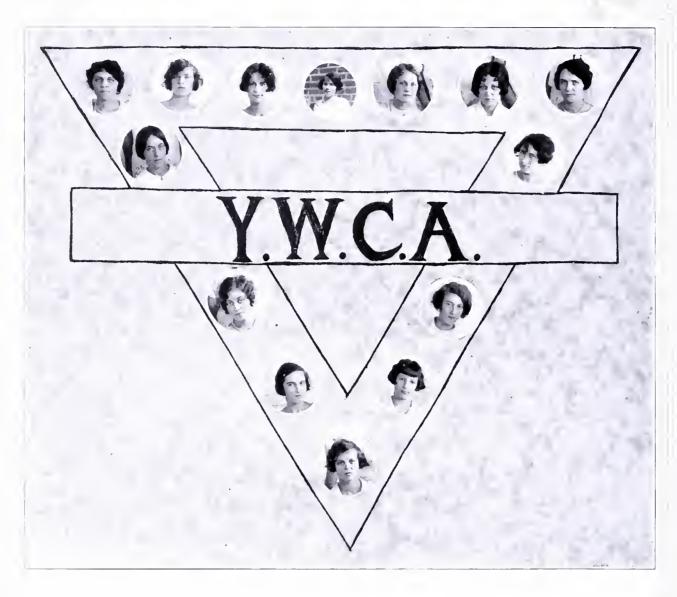
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Sidney Lanier Literary Society



HE Sidney Lanier Literary Society has carried the responsibility of its second year's work well. The year of 1925-26 has been a complete success.

The Saturday evening programs have been well-planned and entered into with "pep and go." They consist of music, readings, essays and debates. Often one program is given over to the study of the life and works of some famous writer. Such an evening proves beneficial as well as entertaining.

This year the society elected new officers in January. The officers for the first term were: Mary Johnson, President; Virginia Burns, Vice-President; Mary Riddle, Secretary; and Alma Tillery, Treasurer. The first term was very successful under these officers and we were loathe to part with them. The officers for the second term were: Virginia Henry, President; Virginia Young, Vice-President; Virginia Vawter, Secretary; and Ruth Birch, Treasurer.

The society owes much of its success to its sponsor, Miss Ruth Richardson, who has guided and directed it in all its plans and activities.

After such a successful year the society looks forward to the coming year with hope and assurance.



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Edgar Allan Poe Literary Society

O school, however great, is complete without a literary society. This was realized at Blackstone in the fall of 1924 when the students organized the two societies, the Sidney Lamer and the Edgar Allan Poe.

The first year of the society was a very successful one and the second has been still more successful. The officers for the first term were: Margaret Skelton, President; Champe Grant, Vice-President; Elsie Wall, Secretary; and Frances Hancock, Treasurer. There could not have been more faithful and capable officers, but in order that more girls be given the opportunity to hold office, at the beginning of the second term in '26 a new president, vice-president, and secretary were elected. Gertrude Eckhart, President; Swann Marks, Vice-President; and Ethel Redman, Secretary have all proved worthy of the honor.

The purpose and aim of the society has been to train the members in reading, debating, writing of essays and other forms of composition, rendering of music, and, above all, in originality of ideas. That this purpose has been accomplished is due to the untiring and never-ceasing efforts of the directors, Miss Nathalie Thompson in '25 and Miss Mary Garrott in '26, the loyalty and faithfulness of the officers, the support and interest of the members.

Although the past of the Poe Society has been great, the future will be still greater. A brighter and more glorious future is possible and may be accomplished if the members bear in their minds and hearts the one word, "Excelsior."



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Circulus Latinus

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Dramatic Club

"I would define, in brief, the poetry of words as the rhythmical creation of beauty. Its sole arbiter is taste."—Poe.

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"Music washes away from the soul the dust of every-day life."

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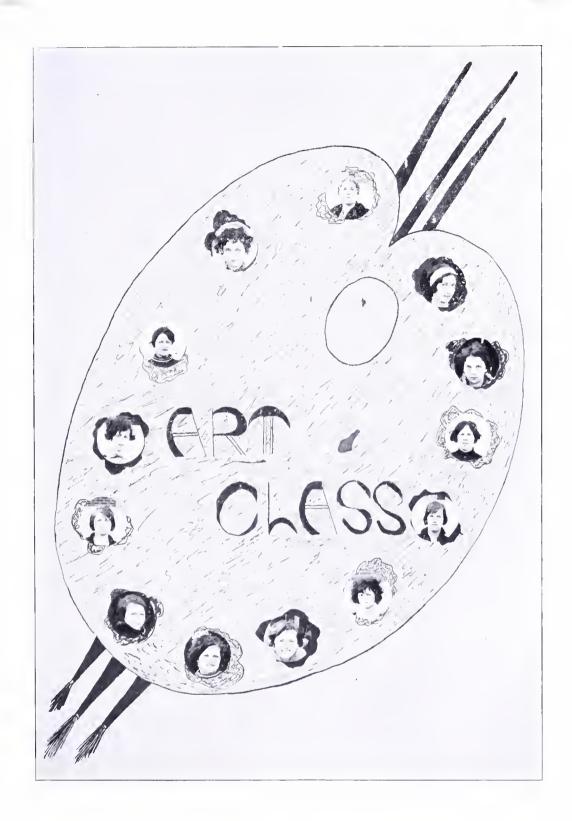
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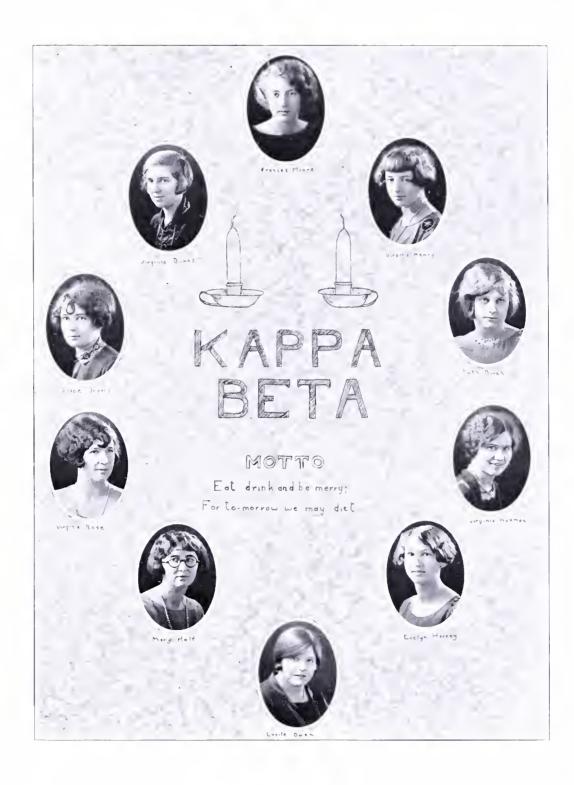
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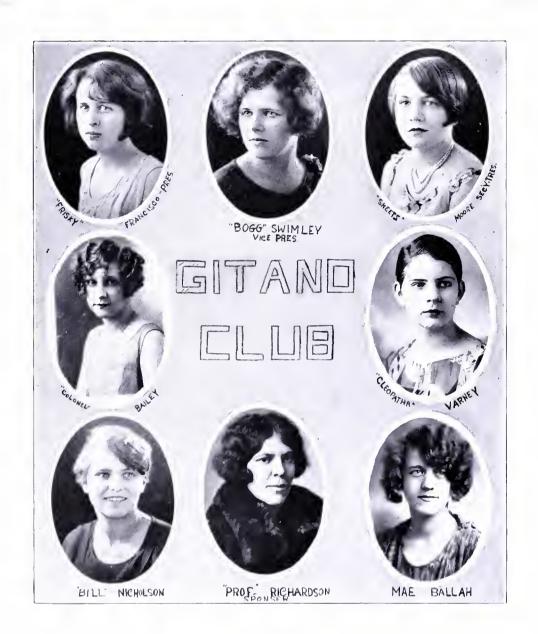












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Fat Club

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Semper Fidelis Club

Colors: Green and white

Morto: "Others"
Flower: White rose

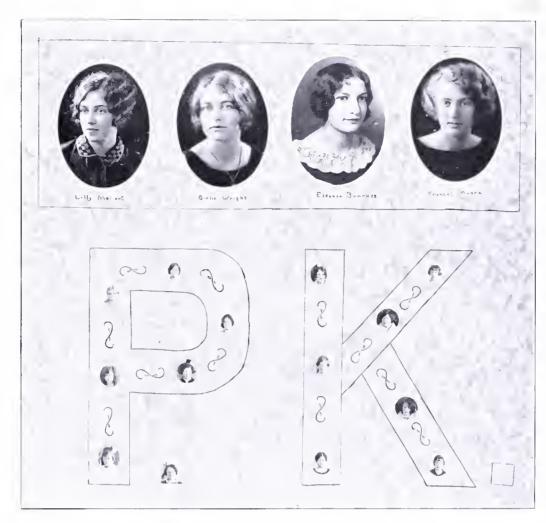
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Lucie Wagstaff
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Leah Wells



Mотто: "Practice what you preach." Flower: Jack-in-the-pulpit.

Colors: Champagne and wine

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Girlie Wright	
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Richardson Hiking Club

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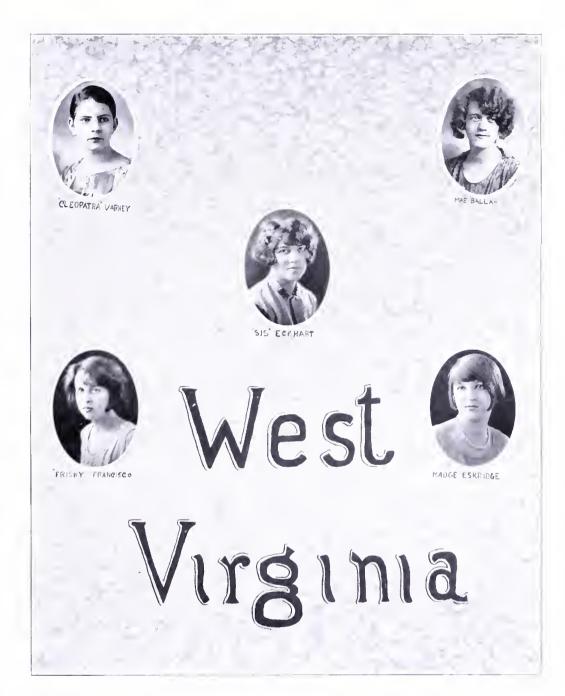
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North Carolina Club

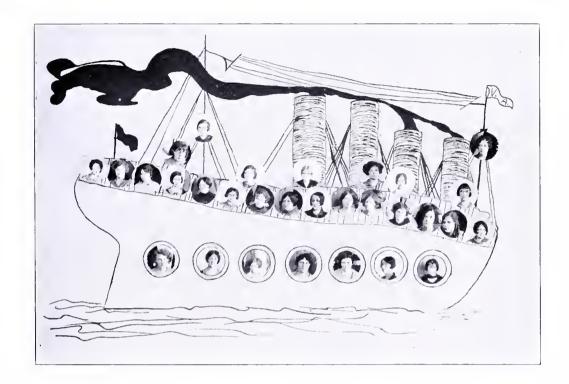
Мотто: Pep, Patient and Perseverance

Colors: Light Blue and White.

FLOWER: Wisteria

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Tidewater Club

Morro: "The moon affects the Unfied as Well as the Tide."

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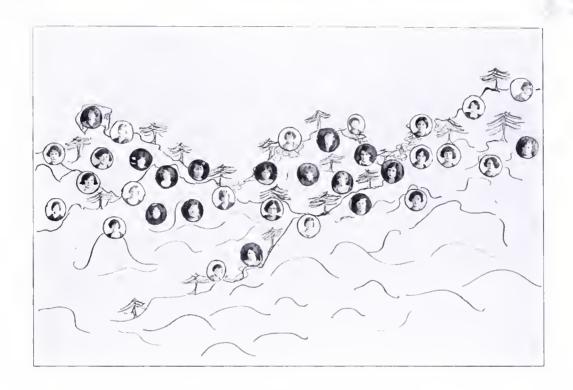
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Athletics

HE school year of 1925-26 started out from the very first with real pep and athletic enthusiasm among both the old and new students, for now we are not only "Blackstonians" but either a "Bat" or a "Tiger," all under the sympathetic leadership of Miss Tempe Ellen, our new coach.

Last spring the student body was divided into two athletic teams known as Bats and Tigers. Etta Haake was chosen as captain of the Bats and Ida Price as captain of the Tigers. Tiger and Bat spirit was shown when the two teams met in their baseball game soon after the teams had been selected. Both the Bats and Tigers kept the air ringing with their cheers—first could be heard the Wild Tiger Yell, then the Song of the Bats. All the while banners and colors floated everywhere—the black and red of the Tigers mingling with the white and black of the Bats. This pep was carried right on to the end of the year and in the fall of '25 under the leadership of their new captains, Frances Hancock at the head of the Tigers and Edith Lewis at the head of the Bats the new girls joined enthusiastically with the old members of each team. No new girl will ever forget the demonstration given by the two teams in order to "beguile" each one into becoming either a Tiger or a Bat. That these two teams still have the real pep was proved when the rivals met in a gymnasium contest held immediately after the Christmas They expect to carry on a basket-ball tournament as soon as the new gymnasium is completed which we trust is not far in the future.

A great deal of interest has been aroused in Hiking Clubs this year and under the leadership of Miss Ellen a Hiking Squad has been picked from both the Tiger and Bat Teams. The two squads hike together each with its own leader and patrol captains. It is expected that hiking will become one of the major sports at Blackstone this spring.

The basket-ball season of 1925-26 opened with a "bang" when our girls set out to Ford for their first game and succeeded in gaining the vistory over their hostesses. This greatly encouraged our girls and they were determined to make the season a success. Due to unfavorable conditions our team was not able to get in as much practice as they needed so that when Thanksgiving came with its game with the strong team from Dinwiddie our girls failed to gain the victory. True sports, as ever, they did not fail to enjoy entertain-

ing the visitors at a special table in the dining hall which the Y. W. girls with the help of their adviser had decorated with a miniature basket-ball court. Can we ever forget that dinner? We had menu cards with the program of toasts on them. As each toast was given a rousing response arose which kept everyone in the best of spirits. The basket-ball team did not claim the entire attention of the day, however, for "bright an dearly" after breakfast that morning we hurried out to the tennis courts to cheer on the players in the finals of the tournament. Trojan and Lill finally succeeded in gaining a hard-earned victory over Lucile and Ida. Now we are looking forward to another close contest in the spring tournament.

Although our athletic teams did not play a great number of match games last fall they kept up interest and enthusiasm and we are confident that the spring season with all the promising plans now on foot will be one of the most successful and interesting ones ever seen at Blackstone College. Come on spring! Come on Blackstone!



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Most popular Best all-round	VIRGINIA BURNS
Typical Blackstone girl	
Prettiest	Dorothy Hevener
Most attractive	CHAMPE GRANT
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PROGRAMME

The Story

Fairies and elves, playing in the forest, flee before the advance of a court procession. A beautiful queen and her court have come to hold May Day revels here, and they are in the midst of these when the queen catches a glimpse of a fairy, only partially hidden. At once the fairies and elves are brought forth, and, enthralled by the beauty of this mortal queen, they ask her to be the queen of their fairy band.

Before she decides which crown she will accept, mortal or fairly, the fairies show her the consequences of mortal life, tears, old age, worldly heart, death. And then they show the fairy gifts, laughter, music, youth, beauty, hope, happiness. After the Queen's choice—can you guess what it will be?—there are joyous Maypole dances.

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Mortal Ills	Fairy Gifts
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Old Age	Music
Worldy Heart	Youth
Death	Beauty
	Hope
	Happiness

Queen's Choice

May Pole

Calendar

Sept. 17. A rush, a push, a bang, a jam—it's no sham, the girls have arrived.

Sept. 19. Quiet reigns on all the halls—faces become long—such lessons—work—work—classes have begun.

Sept. 20. That long, long line winds its way to church for the first time. Many spectators' faces shine but they soon bide their time before the judge's seat.

Sept. 28. The people came—the people went—the Blackstone Faculty and people had met. The Seniors their first dignity assumed.

Oct. 16. New fields to conquer. Hampden-Sidney Freshmen vs. B. M. A. The College girls enter into a field of conquest, B. M. A. gridiron.

Oct. 31. Spooks walk abroad but witches' fates turn to Cupid's darts. B. M. A. and H. M. A. call upon B. C. Girls.

Nov. 4. The line winds its way from the Campus but can it be a Matinee at Blackstone? "The Ten Commandments" are here and it is they that we must see.

Nov. 11. B. C. patriotic shall ever be. Their part they did play in the parade that day.

Nov. 21. Just another football game—Fork Union vs. B. M. A. Of course we were there to stay.

Nov. 26. Bats win the day. The ship of B. C. sails straight to harbor not much impaired by her one defeat. How we did cheer and sing praises that day! Misses Blair and Ellen give the first Faculty Recital. An enthusiastic appreciation of the merit of our Faculty is displayed.

Dec. 18. The month of all months! Homeward bound! No thoughts but of home!

Jan. 5. Blackstone's doors again are opened. Gifts on display. Many secrets disclosed!!!!

Jan. 29. Exams! Exams! Tis very true that wise men can ask questions that fools can never answer.

Feb. 7. Dawning of a new day! To church we go in groups of four. The line is no more.

Feb. 25. Again our hearts are glad for a big event is in store. R. M. C. Glee Club here and we are there—H. S. Auditorium.

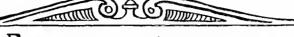
Feb. 26. "Janice Meredith"—another matinee.

March 13. Inter-Society Debate. Heated arguments. Poe victorious.

March 15. Many rumors are in the air again—Junior-Senior Reception—Annual Staff Party—Senior Play—Latin and French Plays—Opening of New Building.

March 20. "Acorn" goes to press. Weary labors are over!!!!





Everybody's Magazine

The Poetical Judge

We were eight including the driver, and we had not spoken during the passage of the last six miles, since the jolting of the vehicle over the rough road has spoiled the Judge's last poetical quotation. If we had desired to carry on a conversation it would have been almost impossible, as the stage jolted and jarred so that we could hardly keep our seats. Our boxes were so jumbled that I wondered if we would ever get them straightened out when we arrived at our destination.

Finally the way became smoother and the Judge again began to quote poetry.

It was June, and when the stage stopped jarring long enough for us to look about us, we began to realize the beauty of the day—at least the Judge did. He began:

"What is so rare as a day in June?
Then, if ever, come perfect days
When Heaven tries Earth if she be in tune."

Suddenly the Judge seemed about to try earth if she be in tune for the stage hit a bump and sent him sprawling to the floor—only, you see, he landed on the floor of the stage, not on the earth, and found that he was not in tune with that. The rest of us had been able to remain in our seats, for we had not been so enraptured by the day as had been the Judge. He collected his hat and gloves and resumed his seat which he had so suddenly left unoccupied. At first he was somewhat out of humor because of our laughter at his sudden departure from his seat, but before long his good spirits returned and he again began to quote his favorite authors.

When we stopped and took in another passenger who rushed up and crowded in, the Judge leaned over to me and muttered, "Fools rush in where angels fear to tread," and I cannot deny that I thought that he was about right.

We passed through a deeply shaded woods in

the midst of which was a muddy pond in which a lusty chorus of frogs were making what was to me a frightful noise, but the Judge leaned forward and turning his pale blue eyes pond-ward murmured estatically, "Oh, listen to the pied frogs' orchestra."

There was on the stage a newly married couple who were acting rather foolish over each other. The Judge after watching them for a little while quoted somewhat disgustedly:

"Oh wad some power the giftie gie us, To see oursels as others see us."

At last was reached the inn where we were to spend the night. As we were sitting at the table waiting for supper which for some reason or other had been delayed, the Judge, seeing a waitress standing idly by, said, "They also serve who only stand and wait."

I neglected in the beginning to tell you that I am an old maid and during our trip I had developed quite a liking for the Judge. Some did not like his quoting of poetry but I, being very fond of literature, enjoyed it very much.

After supper the Judge and I walked out on the porch of the inn. We were alone and the Judge leaned forward and whispered to me:

"Grow old along with me, The best is yet to be,"

The next morning as we sat opposite each other at the breakfast table, the Judge raised his coffee cup and said:

"I fill this cup to one made up of loveliness alone, A woman of her gentle sex, a seeming paragon."

I could not help blushing for you see I had decided that life with the Judge would be on long poetical quotation.

MARGARET SKELTON, '26.



Everybody's Magazine

A SENIOR'S MEMORY

I study "American Literature," What's the use I can not see, I don't know those old authors And what are they to me?

It's about "The Haunted Palace," Where "The Rayen" builds its nest In the "Shadow" of a corner Where "The Sleeper" takes his rest.

"The Explorer" finds "The Purloined Letter" And takes it "To Helen" "For Annie," Who reads "The Murders in the Rue Morgue" Of "Israfel" and "Annabelle Lee,"

At "Sunrise" the "Tampa Robins" sing "The Mocking-bird" and the "Evening Song," "The Song of the Chattahoochee" And "The Waving of the Corn."

"Katie" from old "Carolina" One day in the early "Spring," While sitting on a "Red Rock," Composed the "Grapevine Swing."

"Ashby" with his "Music in Camp" Sits in "The Shade of the Trees," Playing "The Star Spangled Banner" For "Little Giffen of Tennessee."

"The Whip-poor-will" in "The Garden of Dreams" Sings sweetly to "Florence Vane," Who is only "A Southern Girl" Just like "Madame Delphine."

You think this "Told by Uncle Remus,"
"Nebuchadnezzer" or "Doctor Sevier"—
"Cease Firing" at "The Prisoners of Hope,"
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HELEN L. MILLS. T. T. '26.

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	(Grace Slone
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Cropes (a lunch)	Martha Jenkins Martha Elliott
Grapes (a bunch)	Julia Emily Drew
Orange ((a) round always)	Sarah Owerbu
Grapefruit (large and round	
Prune (prissy)	Helen Mills
Lemon	— There ain't none

A PLEA

Psychology, Math, and English, Ed, Latin and History, Gymnastics and Drawing—freehand— What torture! What misery!

O knowledge, come to thy subject!
Come to thy servant bring
From the waters of wisdom flowing
A drink from the Pierian spring.

Senior, '26.

Everybody's Magazine

BOOK REVIEW

Theory and Practice in Music by Lucy Carter Marston. One of the strongest modern texts on Musical Pedagogy. The theory here explained is the Blair Method.

Latin, a Study for Development of Thought by Mary Hardesty. This book came along too late for our benefit, but as the author implies in her dedication was inspired by lectures given in Latin I by Miss Mary J. Garrott, her former instructor.

Classroom Manners by Eloise Darden. This is an excellent treatise on student conduct in the classroom explaining in a delightful the effect of posture upon thought. This book is dedicated to Miss Florence Belle Ogg, a beloved instructor of former days.

UNCLASSIFIED ADS

Do you suffer from insomnia? If so, take English.—Miss Ogg.

Courses in Religious Education. Best grades in College given free. —Mr. Myers.

Take a little History. Trail package by mail.—Miss Craig.

Study French. What I don't know the book does.—Miss Gates.

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WITTICISMS

Miss Craig: Can anyone tell me how a stovepipe is made?

Dixie: First, you take a big long hole and then you wrap some tin around it.

Mr. Gates: Just what grade do you think I should give you?

Chick: That's for you to say, sir. Mr. Gates: I have nothing to say.

Mary J.: Can you drive with one hand?

Page: You bet I can.

Mary J.: Then have some candy.

Miss Richardson: What is steam?

Helen Adkins: Water gone crazy with the heat.

Bits of knowledge gleaned from Miss Craig's history classes:

"The President issues marriage licenses."

"Congress is divided into two parts—Governor and Lieutenant Governor, both of which have to be civilized foreigners."

"Expressed powers are goods shipped in from other states."

"The Supreme Court is headed by Congress,"

Mr. Gates (in psychology class): Miss Ida, describe the nervous system.

Ida: The nervous system runs straight up the back and the ribs are attached to it.

"Papa," said the small son, "what do they mean by college bred? Is it different from any other kind of bread?"

"My son, "said the father, "it is a four years' loaf."

Miss Berrey: Why are you always late to

Lorna: Because of a sign I have to pass on my way.

Miss B.: What has that to do with it?

Lorna: Why it says: "School ahead. Go slow."



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Beulah Handley: Nouns, verbs and proverbs.

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Dixie Bizzell: But, Miss Ellen, my elbows are above my ears.

Miss Craig: What is insurance? Virginia Burns: It's keeping a man poor all his life so he ean die rieh.

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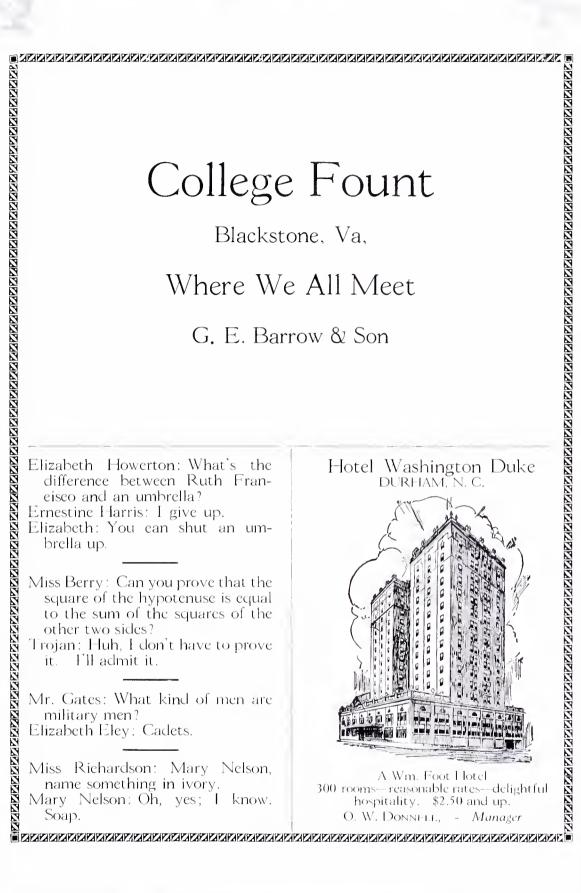
Trusts

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